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1. Welcome to COPA-DATA help

ZENON VIDEO-TUTORIALS

You can find practical examples for project configuration with zenon in our YouTube channel (https://www.copadata.com/tutorial_menu). The tutorials are grouped according to topics and give an initial insight into working with different zenon modules. All tutorials are available in English.

GENERAL HELP

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2. ADP

With the new **ADP** - **alternative data points** driver, a zenon variable can receive values from different sources. Source variables can be either different variables of one driver or variables of different drivers.

Variables of the **ADP driver** are configured for display in zenon Runtime. The parameters for these variables with the alternative variables driver object type are set up in the zenon Editor in the **Alternative variable** variable properties group.



- ► A list of source variables is configured in the process. These variables can be configured for different drivers.
- ▶ With the help of a selector variable you can select the variable which will be linked.
- ► Variables support module **Command Processing**.

In doing so, the Alternative variable is available for ADP driver variables.



Information

Variables of the **ADP driver** of **driver** object type alternative variable are not counted for licensing and do not use up any I/Os.

3. ADP - Data sheet

General:	
Driver file name	ADP.exe
Driver name	Alternative Datapoints
PLC types	internal
PLC manufacturer	zenon system driver; COPA-DATA;

Driver supports:	
Protocol	intern;
Addressing: Address-based	
Addressing: Name-based	
Spontaneous communication	
Polling communication	
Online browsing	
Offline browsing	
Real-time capable	



Blockwrite	
Modem capable	
Serial logging	
RDA numerical	
RDA String	
Hysteresis	
extended API	
Supports status bit WR-SUC	
alternative IP address	

Requirements:	
Hardware PC	
Software PC	
Hardware PLC	
Software PLC	
Requires v-dll	

Platforms:	
Operating systems	Windows 7, 8, 8.1, 10, Server 2008R2, Server 2012, Server 2012R2, Server 2016;
CE platforms	-;



4. Driver history

Date	Build number	Change
1/9/2018	45085	Created driver documentation

5. Configuration

In this chapter you will learn how to use the driver in a project and which settings you can change.



Information

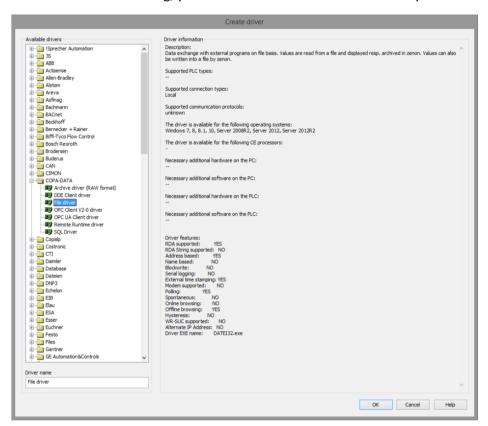
Find out more about further settings for zenon variables in the chapter Variables (main.chm::/15247.htm) of the online manual.

5.1 Creating a driver

Note that the **ADP driver** can only be created once per project. The driver can be found in the driver group COPA-DATA.



In the Create driver dialog, you create a list of the new drivers that you want to create.





Parameter	Description
Available drivers	List of all available drivers.
	The display is in a tree structure: [+] expands the folder structure and shows the drivers contained therein. [-] reduces the folder structure
	Default: no selection
Driver name	Unique Identification of the driver.
	Default: Empty The input field is pre-filled with the pre-defined Identification after selecting a driver from the list of available drivers.
Driver information	Further information on the selected driver. Default: ${\tt Empty}$ The information on the selected driver is shown in this area after selecting a driver.

CLOSE DIALOG

Option	Description
ок	Accepts all settings and opens the driver configuration dialog of the selected driver.
Cancel	Discards all changes and closes the dialog.
Help	Opens online help.



Information

The content of this dialog is saved in the file called Treiber_[Language].xml. You can find this file in the following folder: $C: \ProgramData\COPA-DATA\zenon[version number]$.

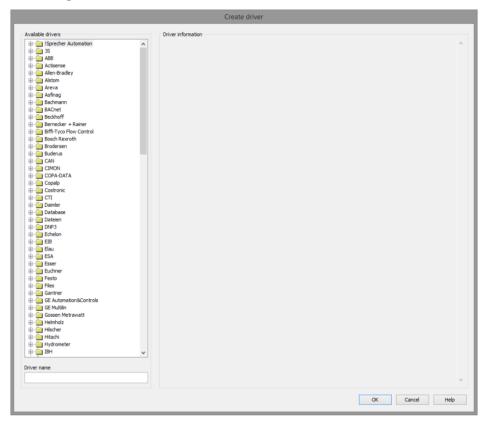
CREATE NEW DRIVER

In order to create a new driver:

Right-click on **Driver** in the Project Manager and select **New driver** in the context menu.
 Optional: Select the **New driver** button from the toolbar of the detail view of the **Variables**.
 The **Create driver** dialog is opened.



2. The dialog offers a list of all available drivers.



3. Select the desired driver and name it in the **Driver name** input field.

This input field corresponds to the **Identification** property. The name of the selected driver is automatically inserted into this input field by default.

The following is applicable for the **Driver name**:

- The Driver name must be unique.
 - If a driver is used more than once in a project, a new name has to be given each time. This is evaluated by clicking on the **OK** button. If the driver is already present in the project, this is shown with a warning dialog.
- The **Driver name** is part of the file name.

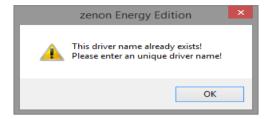
 Therefore it may only contain characters which are supported by the operating system. Invalid characters are replaced by an underscore (_).
- Attention: This name cannot be changed later on.
- 4. Confirm the dialog by clicking on the **OK** button. The configuration dialog for the selected driver is opened.

Note: The language of driver names cannot be switched. They are always shown in the language in which they have been created, regardless of the language of the Editor. This also applies to driver object types.



DRIVER NAME DIALOG ALREADY EXISTS

If there is already a driver in the project, this is shown in a dialog. The warning dialog is closed by clicking on the **OK** button. The driver can be named correctly.



ZENON PROJECT

The following drivers are created automatically for newly-created projects:

- Intern
- ► MathDr32
- SysDrv



Only the required drivers need to be present in a zenon project. Drivers can be added at a later time if required.

5.2 Settings in the driver dialog

You can change the following settings of the driver:

5.2.1 Define source variables

The configuring takes place directly in the properties of the variable of driver object type alternative variable. These properties can be found in property group Alternative variable of the variable.

The configuration dialog of the source variable is called via property Source variable.



Parameter	Description
[Source variables list]	List of variables which are assigned to the ADP variable as source variable. # Consecutive number of the source variable. This consecutive number, is assigned automatically. Name Configured name of the source variable. This corresponds to variable property Name of the current configuration in the zenon Editor. Opens the variable selection dialog again Note: Is only available if a variable is selected in the list.
Add	Opens the variable selection dialog. For selection all already configured variables of all drivers of the active zenon project are offered. The new source variable is positioned directly under the selected source variable in the list. If no source variable is selected, the new source variable is positioned at the end of the lsit.
Remove	The selected source variable will be deleted from the list without requesting confirmation. Only active if an already configured source variable is selected in the list.
Arrow symbol up Arrow symbol - on top	Moves the selected source variable up one entry in the list. Only active if an already configured source variable is selected in the list. Moves the selected source variable to the top of the list.
Arrow symbol - on bottom	Only active if an already configured source variable is selected in the list. Moves the selected source variable to the bottom of the
	list. Only active if an already configured source variable is selected in the list.
Arrow symbol down	Moves the selected source variable down one entry in the list. Only active if an already configured source variable is



	selected in the list.
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CLOSE DIALOG

Option	Description
ок	Applies all changes in all tabs and closes the dialog.
Cancel	Discards all changes in all tabs and closes the dialog.
Help	Opens online help.

5.2.2 Engineering in the Editor

ENGINEERING EXAMPLE WITH TWO DRIVERS

Carry out the following steps in the zenon Editor:

- Configure two different drivers. For example:
 - IEC 61850
 - Modbus Energy
- ► Configure corresponding variables for these two drivers. Per example:
 - for the IEC 61850 driver
 IEC_61850_Value1
 - for the Modbus Energy driver Modbus Energy Value1

Take care that the variables are configured in the same way for both drivers (e.g. link command variables only to command variables, same parameters for select before operate, ...)

- ▶ Create a new variable SourceVariableSelector, e.g. for the Internal driver.
- ► Create a new variable ADP State, e.g. for the Internal driver.
- Create a new variable for driver alternative data points.with driver object type Alternative variable.
 - Name this variable Display Value1.
- ► Configure the ADP variable:
 - Switch to the **Alternative variable** variable property group.



- In the Source variable property, click on the ... button.

 The **Define source variable** (on page 11) dialog is opened.
- In this dialog click on the Add...button.
 The variable selection dialog is opened.
- Select the variable IEC 61850 Value1.
- Again click the Add... button.
 Now select variable Modbus Energy Value1.
- Confirm the dialog with **OK**.
- ▶ Link the ADP variable with a corresponding selector variable.
 - For this click the ... button at property Selector of the ADP variable. The variable selection dialog is opened.
 - Select the variable SourceVariableSelector.
- ▶ Link the ADP variable with a corresponding status variable.
 - For this click the ... button at property State variable of the ADP variable.
 The variable selection dialog is opened.
 - Select the variable ADP_State.



Hint

In addition, **Selector** and **State variable** can be linked with drag&drop. In order to do this open the variable list in an own window.

RUNTIME

For this example the following is true for display in the Runtime:

- ▶ Variable Display_Value1 displays the value of the variable which is currently considered in the ongoing process.
- ► The value of variable SourceVariableSelector controls which variable is processed in the Runtime.
- ► The value of variable ADP_State shows which configured source variable is used in the currently ongoing process.

Examples:

SourceVariableSelector with value 1

- ▶ The variable Display Value1 shows the value of the variable IEC 61850 Value1
- ► The value of the variable ADP State = 1.

SourceVariableSelector with value 2

▶ The variable Display Value1 shows the value of the variable Modbus Energy Value1



➤ The value of the variable ADP State = 2.

6. Creating variables

This is how you can create variables in the zenon Editor:

6.1 Creating variables in the Editor

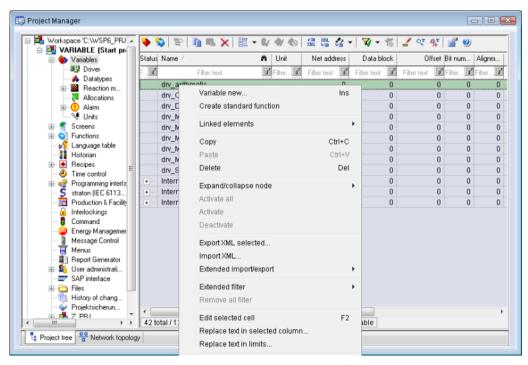
Variables can be created:

- ▶ as simple variables
- ▶ in arrays (main.chm::/15262.htm)
- as structure variables (main.chm::/15278.htm)

VARIABLE DIALOG

To create a new variable, regardless of which type:

1. Select the New variable command in the Variables node in the context menu





The dialog for configuring variables is opened

- 2. Configure the variable
- 3. The settings that are possible depends on the type of variables



Property	Description			
Name	Distinct name of the variable. If a variable with the same name already exists in the project, no additional variable can be created with this name.			
	Maximum length: 128 characters			
	Attention: The characters # and @ are not permitted in variable names. If non-permitted characters are used, creation of variables cannot be completed and the Finish button remains inactive. Note: For some drivers, the addressing is possible over the property Symbolic address, as well.			
Drivers	Select the desired driver from the drop-down list.			
	Note: If no driver has been opened in the project, the driver for internal variables (Intern.exe (Main.chm::/Intern.chm::/Intern.htm)) is automatically loaded.			
Driver Object Type (cti.chm::/28685.htm)	Select the appropriate driver object type from the drop-down list.			



Data Type	Select the desired data type. Click on the button to open the selection dialog.
Array settings	Expanded settings for array variables. You can find details in the Arrays chapter.
Addressing options	Expanded settings for arrays and structure variables. You can find details in the respective section.
Automatic element activation	Expanded settings for arrays and structure variables. You can find details in the respective section.

SYMBOLIC ADDRESS

The **Symbolic** address property can be used for addressing as an alternative to the **Name** or **Identification** of the variables. Selection is made in the driver dialog; configuration is carried out in the variable property. When importing variables of supported drivers, the property is entered automatically.

Maximum length: 1024 characters.

INHERITANCE FROM DATA TYPE

Measuring range, Signal range and Set value are always:

- derived from the datatype
- Automatically adapted if the data type is changed

Note for signal range: If a change is made to a data type that does not support the set signal range, the signal range is amended automatically. For example, for a change from **INT** to **SINT**, the signal range is changed to 127. The amendment is also carried out if the signal range was not inherited from the data type. In this case, the measuring range must be adapted manually.



6.2 Addressing

Group/Property	Description
General	
Name	Freely definable name.
	Attention: For every zenon project the name must be unambiguous.
Identification	Freely assignable identification, e.g. for resources label, comment
Addressing	
Net address	not used for this driver
Data block	not used for this driver
Offset	not used for this driver
Alignment	not used for this driver
Bit number	not used for this driver
String length	not used for this driver
Driver connection/Driver Object Type	Object type of the variables. Depending on the driver used, is selected when the variable is created and can be changed here.
Driver connection/Data Type	Data type of the variable. Is selected during the creation of the variable; the type can be changed here.
	Attention: If you change the data type later, all other properties of the variable must be checked and adjusted, if necessary.

6.3 Driver objects and datatypes

Driver objects are areas available in the PLC, such as markers, data blocks etc. Here you can find out which driver objects are provided by the driver and which IEC data types can be assigned to the respective driver objects.

6.3.1 Driver objects

The following object types are available in this driver:



Driver Object Type	Channel type	Read	Write	Supported data types	Description
Alternative variable	33	X	X	BOOL, DATE, DATE_AND_TI ME, DINT, INT, LINT, LREAL, REAL, SINT, STRING, TIME, TOD, UDINT, UINT, ULINT, USINT, WSTRING	Variable with configured allocation which existing variable is used in the process (principle of a multiplexer).
Communication details	35	x	х	BOOL, SINT, USINT, INT, UINT, DINT, UDINT, REAL, STRING	Variables for the static analysis of the communication; is transferred between driver and Runtime (not to the PLC).
					Note: The addressing and the behavior is the same for most zenon drivers.
					You can find detailed information on this in the Communication details (Driver variables) (on page 28) chapter.

Key:

x: supported

--: not supported

6.3.2 Mapping of the data types

All variables in zenon are derived from IEC data types. The following table compares the IEC datatypes with the datatypes of the PLC.

PLC	zenon	Data type
	BOOL	8
	USINT	9
	SINT	10



UINT	2
INT	1
UDINT	4
DINT	3
ULINT	27
LINT	26
REAL	5
LREAL	6
STRING	12
WSTRING	21
DATE	18
TIME	17
DATE_AND_TIME	20
TOD (Time of Day)	19

Data type: The property **Data type** is the internal numerical name of the data type. It is also used for the extended DBF import/export of the variables.

6.4 Creating variables by importing

Variables can also be imported by importing them. The XML and DBF import is available for every driver.



Information

You can find details on the import and export of variables in the Import-Export (main.chm::/13028.htm) manual in the Variables (main.chm::/13045.htm) section.

6.4.1 XML import

During XML import of variables or data types, these are first assigned to a driver and then analyzed. Before import, the user decides whether and how the respective element (variable or data type) is to be imported:



▶ Import:

The element is imported as a new element.

▶ Overwrite:

The element is imported and overwrites a pre-existing element.

▶ Do not import:

The element is not imported.

Note: The actions and their durations are shown in a progress bar during import.

REQUIREMENTS

The following conditions are applicable during import:

▶ Backward compatibility

At the XML import/export there is no backward compatibility. Data from older zenon versions cannot be taken over. The handover of data from newer to older versions is not supported.

Consistency

The XML file to be imported has to be consistent. There is no plausibility check on importing the file. If there are errors in the import file, this can lead to undesirable effects in the project.

Particular attention must be paid to this, primarily if not all properties exist in the XML file and these are then filled with default values. E.g.: A binary variable has a limit value of 300.

Structure data types

Structure data types must have the same number of structure elements.

Example: A structure data type in the project has 3 structure elements. A data type with the same name in the XML file has 4 structure elements. Then none of the variables based on this data type in the file are imported into the project.



Hint

You can find further information on XML import in the **Import - Export** manual, in the **XML import (main.chm::/13046.htm)** chapter.

6.4.2 DBF Import/Export

Data can be exported to and imported from dBase.





Information

Import and Export via CSV or dBase supported; no driver specific variable settings, such as formulas. Use export/import via XML for this.

IMPORT DBF FILE

To start the import:

- 1. right-click on the variable list
- 2. in the drop-down list of Extended export/import... select the Import dBase command
- 3. follow the import assistant

The format of the file is described in the chapter File structure.



Information

Note:

- Driver object type and data type must be amended to the target driver in the DBF file in order for variables to be imported.
- ▶ dBase does not support structures or arrays (complex variables) at import.

EXPORT DBF FILE

To start the export:

- 1. right-click on the variable list
- 2. in the drop-down list of Extended export/import... select the Export dBase... command
- 3. follow the export assistant



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Attention

DBF files:

- must correspond to the 8.3 DOS format for filenames (8 alphanumeric characters for name, 3 character suffix, no spaces)
- must not have dots (.) in the path name.
 e.g. the path C:\users\John.Smith\test.dbf is invalid.
 Valid: C:\users\JohnSmith\test.dbf
- must be stored close to the root directory in order to fulfill the limit for file name length including path: maximum 255 characters

The format of the file is described in the chapter File structure.



Information

dBase does not support structures or arrays (complex variables) at export.

FILE STRUCTURE OF THE DBASE EXPORT FILE

The dBaseIV file must have the following structure and contents for variable import and export:



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Attention

dBase does not support structures or arrays (complex variables) at export.

DBF files must:

- conform with their name to the 8.3 DOS format (8 alphanumeric characters for name, 3 characters for extension, no space)
- ▶ Be stored close to the root directory (Root)

STRUCTURE

Identification	Typ e	Field size	Comment	
KANALNAME	Char	128	Variable name.	
			The length can be limited using the MAX_LAENGE entry in the project.ini file.	
KANAL_R	С	128	The original name of a variable that is to be replaced by the new name entered under "VARIABLENNAME" (variable name) (field/column must be entered manually).	
			The length can be limited using the MAX_LAENGE entry in the project.ini file.	
KANAL_D	Log	1	The variable is deleted with the ${\tt l}$ entry (field/column has to be created by hand).	
TAGNR	С	128	Identification.	
			The length can be limited using the MAX_LAENGE entry in the project.ini file.	
EINHEIT	С	11	Technical unit	
DATENART	С	3	Data type (e.g. bit, byte, word,) corresponds to the data type.	
KANALTYP	С	3	Memory area in the PLC (e.g. marker area, data area,) corresponds to the driver object type.	
HWKANAL	Num	3	Net address	
BAUSTEIN	N	3	Datablock address (only for variables from the data area of the PLC)	
ADRESSE	N	5	Offset	
BITADR	N	2	For bit variables: bit address For byte variables: 0=lower, 8=higher byte For string variables: Length of string (max. 63 characters)	
ARRAYSIZE	N	16	Number of variables in the array for index variables ATTENTION: Only the first variable is fully available. All others are only available for VBA or the Recipegroup Manager	



LES_SCHR	L	1	Write-Read-Authorization 0: Not allowed to set value. 1: Allowed to set value.	
MIT_ZEIT	R	1	time stamp in zenon (only if supported by the driver)	
OBJEKT	N	2	Driver-specific ID number of the primitive object comprises TREIBER-OBJEKTTYP and DATENTYP	
SIGMIN	Float	16	Non-linearized signal - minimum (signal resolution)	
SIGMAX	F	16	Non-linearized signal - maximum (signal resolution)	
ANZMIN	F	16	Technical value - minimum (measuring range)	
ANZMAX	F	16	Technical value - maximum (measuring range)	
ANZKOMMA	N	1	Number of decimal places for the display of the values (measuring range)	
UPDATERATE	F	19	Update rate for mathematics variables (in sec, one decimal possible) not used for all other variables	
MEMTIEFE	N	7	Only for compatibility reasons	
HDRATE	F	19	HD update rate for historical values (in sec, one decimal possible)	
HDTIEFE	N	7	HD entry depth for historical values (number)	
NACHSORT	R	1	HD data as postsorted values	
DRRATE	F	19	Updating to the output (for zenon DDE server, in [s], one decimal possible)	
HYST_PLUS	F	16	Positive hysteresis, from measuring range	
HYST_MINUS	F	16	Negative hysteresis, from measuring range	
PRIOR	N	16	Priority of the variable	
REAMATRIZE	С	32	Allocated reaction matrix	
ERSATZWERT	F	16	Substitute value, from measuring range	
SOLLMIN	F	16	Minimum for set value actions, from measuring range	
SOLLMAX	F	16	Maximum for set value actions, from measuring range	
VOMSTANDBY	R	1	Get value from standby server; the value of the variable is not requested from the server but from the Standby Server in redundant networks	
RESOURCE	С	128	Resources label. Free string for export and display in lists.	
			The length can be limited using the MAX_LAENGE entry in project.ini .	
ADJWVBA	R	1	Non-linear value adaption: 0: Non-linear value adaption is used	



			1: Non-linear value adaption is not used
ADJZENON	С	128	Linked VBA macro for reading the variable value for non-linear value adjustment.
ADJWVBA	С	128	ed VBA macro for writing the variable value for non-linear value adjustment.
ZWREMA	N	16	Linked counter REMA.
MAXGRAD	N	16	Gradient overflow for counter REMA.

Attention

When importing, the driver object type and data type must be amended to the target driver in the DBF file in order for variables to be imported.

LIMIT VALUE DEFINITION

Limit definition for limit values 1 to 4, or status 1 to 4:



Identification	Туре	Field size	Comment	
AKTIV1	R	1	Limit value active (per limit value available)	
GRENZWERT1	F	20	technical value or ID number of a linked variable for a dynamic limit value (see VARIABLEx) (if VARIABLEx is 1 and here it is -1, the existing variable linkage is not overwritten)	
SCHWWERT1	F	16	Threshold value for limit value	
HYSTERESE1	F	14	Is not used	
BLINKEN1	R	1	Set blink attribute	
BTB1	R	1	Logging in CEL	
ALARM1	R	1	Alarm	
DRUCKEN1	R	1	Printer output (for CEL or Alarm)	
QUITTIER1	R	1	Must be acknowledged	
LOESCHE1	R	1	Must be deleted	
VARIABLE1	R	1	Dyn. limit value linking the limit is defined by an absolute value (see field GRENZWERTx).	
FUNC1	R	1	Functions linking	
ASK_FUNC1	R	1	Execution via Alarm Message List	
FUNC_NR1	N	10	ID number of the linked function (if "-1" is entered here, the existing function is not overwritten during import)	
A_GRUPPE1	N	10	Alarm/Event Group	
A_KLASSE1	N	10	Alarm/Event Class	
MIN_MAX1	С	3	Minimum, Maximum	
FARBE1	N	10	Color as Windows coding	
GRENZTXT1	С	66	Limit value text	
A_DELAY1	N	10	Time delay	
INVISIBLE1	R	1	Invisible	

Expressions in the column "Comment" refer to the expressions used in the dialog boxes for the definition of variables. For more information, see chapter Variable definition.



6.5 Communication details (Driver variables)

The driver kit implements a number of driver variables. This variables are part of the driver object type **Communication details**. These are divided into:

- **▶** Information
- Configuration
- Statistics and
- Error message

The definitions of the variables implemented in the driver kit are available in the import file **drvvar.dbf** (on the installation medium in the \Predefined\Variables folder) and can be imported from there.

Note: Variable names must be unique in zenon. If driver variables of the driver object type **Communication details** are to be imported from **drvvar.dbf** again, the variables that were imported beforehand must be renamed.



Information

Not every driver supports all driver variables of the driver object type *Communication details*.

For example:

- Variables for modem information are only supported by modem-compatible drivers
- Driver variables for the polling cycle only for pure polling drivers
- Connection-related information such as ErrorMSG only for drivers that only edit one connection at a a time



INFORMATION

Name from import	Туре	Offset	Description
MainVersion	UINT	0	Main version number of the driver.
SubVersion	UINT	1	Sub version number of the driver.
BuildVersion	UINT	29	Build version number of the driver.
RTMajor	UINT	49	zenon main version number
RTMinor	UINT	50	zenon sub version number
RTSp	UINT	51	zenon Service Pack number
RTBuild	UINT	52	zenon build number
LineStateIdle	BOOL	24.0	TRUE, if the modem connection is idle
LineStateOffering	BOOL	24.1	TRUE, if a call is received
LineStateAccepted	BOOL	24.2	The call is accepted
LineStateDialtone	BOOL	24.3	Dialtone recognized
LineStateDialing	BOOL	24.4	Dialing active
LineStateRingBack	BOOL	24.5	While establishing the connection
LineStateBusy	BOOL	24.6	Target station is busy
LineStateSpecialInfo	BOOL	24.7	Special status information received
LineStateConnected	BOOL	24.8	Connection established
LineStateProceeding	BOOL	24.9	Dialing completed
LineStateOnHold	BOOL	24.10	Connection in hold
LineStateConferenced	BOOL	24.11	Connection in conference mode.
LineStateOnHoldPendConf	BOOL	24.12	Connection in hold for conference
LineStateOnHoldPendTransfer	BOOL	24.13	Connection in hold for transfer
LineStateDisconnected	BOOL	24.14	Connection terminated.
LineStateUnknow	BOOL	24.15	Connection status unknown
ModemStatus	UDINT	24	Current modem status
TreiberStop	BOOL	28	Driver stopped
			For driver stop, the variable has the value TRUE and an OFF bit. After the driver has started, the variable has the value FALSE and no OFF bit.
SimulRTState	UDINT	60	Informs the status of Runtime for driver simulation.



ConnectionStates	STRING	61	Internal connection status of the driver to the PLC. Connection statuses: 0: Connection OK 1: Connection failure 2: Connection simulated Formating: <netzadresse>:<verbindungszustand>;;; A connection is only known after a variable</verbindungszustand></netzadresse>
			has first signed in. In order for a connection to be contained in a string, a variable of this connection must be signed in once.
			The status of a connection is only updated if a variable of the connection is signed in. Otherwise there is no communication with the corresponding controller.

CONFIGURATION

Name from import	Туре	Offset	Description
ReconnectInRead	BOOL	27	If TRUE, the modem is automatically reconnected for reading
ApplyCom	BOOL	36	Apply changes in the settings of the serial interface. Writing to this variable immediately results in the method SrvDrvVarApplyCom being called (which currently has no further function).
ApplyModem	BOOL	37	Apply changes in the settings of the modem. Writing this variable immediately calls the method SrvDrvVarApplyModem. This closes the current connection and opens a new one according to the settings PhoneNumberSet and ModemHwAdrSet .
PhoneNumberSet	STRING	38	Telephone number, that should be used
ModemHwAdrSet	DINT	39	Hardware address for the telephone number



GlobalUpdate	UDINT	3	Update time in milliseconds (ms).
BGlobalUpdaten	BOOL	4	TRUE, if update time is global
TreiberSimul	BOOL	5	TRUE, if driver in sin simulation mode
TreiberProzab	BOOL	6	TRUE, if the variables update list should be kept in the memory
ModemActive	BOOL	7	TRUE, if the modem is active for the driver
Device	STRING	8	Name of the serial interface or name of the modem
ComPort	UINT	9	Number of the serial interface.
Baudrate	UDINT	10	Baud rate of the serial interface.
Parity	SINT	11	Parity of the serial interface
ByteSize	USINT	14	Number of bits per character of the serial interface
			Value = 0 if the driver cannot establish any serial connection.
StopBit	USINT	13	Number of stop bits of the serial interface.
Autoconnect	BOOL	16	TRUE, if the modem connection should be established automatically for reading/writing
PhoneNumber	STRING	17	Current telephone number
ModemHwAdr	DINT	21	Hardware address of current telephone number
RxIdleTime	UINT	18	Modem is disconnected, if no data transfer occurs for this time in seconds (s)
WriteTimeout	UDINT	19	Maximum write duration for a modem connection in milliseconds (ms).
RingCountSet	UDINT	20	Number of ringing tones before a call is accepted
ReCallIdleTime	UINT	53	Waiting time between calls in seconds (s).
ConnectTimeout	UINT	54	Time in seconds (s) to establish a connection.



STATISTICS

Name from import	Туре	Offset	Description
MaxWriteTime	UDINT	31	The longest time in milliseconds (ms) that is required for writing.
MinWriteTime	UDINT	32	The shortest time in milliseconds (ms) that is required for writing.
MaxBlkReadTime	UDINT	40	Longest time in milliseconds (ms) that is required to read a data block.
MinBlkReadTime	UDINT	41	Shortest time in milliseconds (ms) that is required to read a data block.
WriteErrorCount	UDINT	33	Number of writing errors
ReadSucceedCount	UDINT	35	Number of successful reading attempts
MaxCycleTime	UDINT	22	Longest time in milliseconds (ms) required to read all requested data.
MinCycleTime	UDINT	23	Shortest time in milliseconds (ms) required to read all requested data.
WriteCount	UDINT	26	Number of writing attempts
ReadErrorCount	UDINT	34	Number of reading errors
MaxUpdateTimeNormal	UDINT	56	Time since the last update of the priority group Normal in milliseconds (ms).
MaxUpdateTimeHigher	UDINT	57	Time since the last update of the priority group Higher in milliseconds (ms).
MaxUpdateTimeHigh	UDINT	58	Time since the last update of the priority group High in milliseconds (ms).
MaxUpdateTimeHighest	UDINT	59	Time since the last update of the priority group Highest in milliseconds (ms).
PokeFinish	BOOL	55	Goes to $\ensuremath{1}$ for a query, if all current pokes were executed

ERROR MESSAGE

Name from import	Туре	Offset	Description



ErrorTimeDW	UDINT	2	Time (in seconds since 1.1.1970), when the last error occurred.
ErrorTimeS	STRING	2	Time (in seconds since 1.1.1970), when the last error occurred.
RdErrPrimObj	UDINT	42	Number of the PrimObject, when the last reading error occurred.
RdErrStationsName	STRING	43	Name of the station, when the last reading error occurred.
RdErrBlockCount	UINT	44	Number of blocks to read when the last reading error occurred.
RdErrHwAdresse	DINT	45	Hardware address when the last reading error occurred.
RdErrDatablockNo	UDINT	46	Block number when the last reading error occurred.
RdErrMarkerNo	UDINT	47	Marker number when the last reading error occurred.
RdErrSize	UDINT	48	Block size when the last reading error occurred.
DrvError	USINT	25	Error message as number
DrvErrorMsg	STRING	30	Error message as text
ErrorFile	STRING	15	Name of error log file

7. Driver-specific functions

The driver supports the following functions:

7.1 Command Processing

The value of the variable linked to variable property **Selector** determines on which source variable the Command Processing is routed.



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Attention

Take care that the configuration of the source variables and ADP variables coincide (e.g. Same configuration for Standby Server, authorization level, ...)

For this, the following applies:

The value is routed to the corresponding source variable.

Exceptions:

- ▶ If the value of the variable linked to property **Selector** is 0, the routing is carried out on source variable #1.
 - If no variable is linked, it also equals value 0.
- ▶ If the value of the variable linked to property Selector is smaller than 0 or if the value is larger than the number of configured source variables, no routing is carried out. The variable contains the sate INVALID. In addition an entry in the LOG file is created.
- ▶ If the value of the variable linked to property Selector equals a not configured source variable number (linked source variable was deleted or not linked), no routing is carried out. The variable contains the sate INVALID. In addition an entry in the LOG file is created.

If property **Read from Standby Server only** is activated at the ADP variable, the action is routed onward to the source variable selected at the Standby Server.



Attention

If property **Read from Standby Server only** is activated at the ADP variable, it displays the value of the selected variable at the Standby Server (independent of the configuration of the selected variable).

If an action (e.g. **Write set value** or a Command Processing action) is carried out, the configuration of the selected variable is considered.

The same is true the other way round:

Is property **Read from Standby Server only** inactive at the ADP variable but active at the selected variable, the value from the server (and not from the Standby Server) is displayed.

8. Driver command function

The zenon **Driver commands** function is to influence drivers using zenon. You can do the following with a driver command:

Start



- ▶ Stop
- Shift a certain driver mode
- ▶ Instigate certain actions

Attention: The zenon **Driver commands** function is not identical to driver commands that can be executed in Runtime with Energy drivers!



Information

This chapter describes standard functions that are valid for most zenon drivers. However, not all functions described here are available for every driver. For example, a driver that does not, according to the data sheet, support a modem connection also does not have any modem functions.

CONFIGURATION OF THE FUNCTION

Configuration is carried out using the **Driver commands** function.

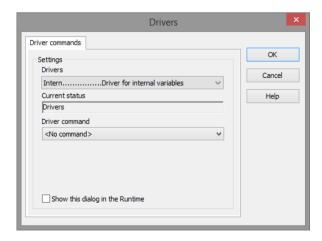
To do this:

- 1. Create a new function in the zenon Editor.
- 2. Navigate to the node Variable.
- 3. Select the **Driver commands** entry.

The dialog for configuration is opened.

- 4. Select the desired driver and the required command.
- 5. Close the dialog by clicking on **OK** and ensure that the function is executed in Runtime. Heed the notices in the **Driver command function in the network** section.

DRIVER COMMAND DIALOG





Option	Description
Drivers	Selection of the driver from the drop-down list. It contains all drivers loaded in the project.
Current status	Fixed entry which has no function in the current version.
Driver command	Drop-down list for the selection of the command:
<no command=""></no>	No command is sent. A command that already exists can thus be removed from a configured function.
Start driver (online mode)	Driver is reinitialized and started.
Stop driver (offline mode)	Driver is stopped. No new data is accepted.
	Note: If the driver is in offline mode, all variables that were created for this driver receive the status switched off (OFF; Bit 20).
Driver in simulation mode	Driver is set into simulation mode. The values of all variables of the driver are simulated by the driver. No values from the connected hardware (e.g. PLC, bus system,) are displayed.
Driver in hardware mode	Driver is set into hardware mode. For the variables of the driver the values from the connected hardware (e.g. PLC, bus system,) are displayed.
Driver-specific command	Enter driver-specific commands. Opens input field in order to enter a command.
Activate driver write set value	Write set value to a driver is allowed.
Deactivate driver write set value	Write set value to a driver is prohibited.
Establish connection with modem	Establish connection (for modem drivers) Opens the input fields for the hardware address and for the telephone number.
Disconnect from modem	Terminate connection (for modem drivers)
Driver in counting simulation mode	Driver is set into counting simulation mode. All values are initialized with 0 and incremented in the set update time by 1 each time up to the maximum value and then start at 0 again.
Driver in static simulation mode	Driver is set into counting simulation mode. All values are initialized with 0.
Driver in programmed simulation mode	Driver is set into counting simulation mode. The values are calculated by a freely-programmable simulation project. The simulation project is created with the help of the zenon Logic Workbench and runs in the zenon Logic Runtime.
Show this dialog in the Runtime	The dialog is shown in Runtime so that changes can be made.



DRIVER COMMAND FUNCTION IN THE NETWORK

If the computer on which the **Driver commands** function is executed is part of the zenon network, further actions are also carried out. A special network command is sent from the computer to the project server, which then executes the desired action on its driver. In addition, the Server sends the same driver command to the project standby. The standby also carries out the action on its driver.

This makes sure that Server and Standby are synchronized. This only works if the Server and the Standby both have a working and independent connection to the hardware.

9. Error analysis

Should there be communication problems, this chapter will assist you in finding out the error.

9.1 Analysis tool

All zenon modules such as Editor, Runtime, drivers, etc. write messages to a joint log file. To display them correctly and clearly, use the Diagnosis Viewer (main.chm::/12464.htm) program that was also installed with zenon. You can find it under *Start/All programs/zenon/Tools 8.00 -> Diagviewer*.

zenon driver log all errors in the LOG files.LOG files are text files with a special structure. The default folder for the LOG files is subfolder **LOG** in the folder **ProgramData**. For example:

%ProgramData%\COPA-DATA\LOG.

Attention: With the default settings, a driver only logs error information. With the Diagnosis Viewer you can enhance the diagnosis level for most of the drivers to "Debug" and "Deep Debug". With this the driver also logs all other important tasks and events.

In the Diagnosis Viewer you can also:

- ► Follow newly-created entries in real time
- customize the logging settings
- change the folder in which the LOG files are saved

Note:

- 1. The Diagnosis Viewer displays all entries in UTC (coordinated world time) and not in local time.
- 2. The Diagnosis Viewer does not display all columns of a LOG file per default. To display more columns activate property **Add all columns with entry** in the context menu of the column header.



- 3. If you only use **Error-Logging**, the problem description is in the column **Error text**. For other diagnosis level the description is in the column **General text**.
- 4. For communication problems many drivers also log error numbers which the PLC assigns to them. They are displayed in **Error text** or **Error code** or **Driver error parameter** (1 and 2). Hints on the meaning of error codes can be found in the driver documentation and the protocol/PLC description.
- 5. At the end of your test set back the diagnosis level from **Debug** or **Deep Debug**. At **Debug** and **Deep Debug** there are a great deal of data for logging which are saved to the hard drive and which can influence your system performance. They are still logged even after you close the Diagnosis Viewer.



Attention

In Windows CE errors are not logged per default due to performance reasons.

You can find further information on the Diagnosis Viewer in the Diagnose Viewer (main.chm::/12464.htm) manual.

9.2 Check list

GENERAL TROUBLESHOOTING

Check the following in the event of errors:

- ► Analysis with the **Diagnosis Viewer** (on page 37):
 - -> Which messages are displayed?
- Did you use the right object type for the variable

Example: Driver variables are purely statistics variables. They do not communicate with the PLC. (See chapter Driver variable (on page 28).)

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The following is required for further analysis of errors:

- The project backup
- LOG files



Send these to your support person after agreement with the customer service department.

SOME VARIABLES REPORT INVALID.

▶ Check the configuration of the source variable.

VALUES ARE NOT DISPLAYED, NUMERIC VALUES REMAIN EMPTY

Driver is not working. Check the:

- ▶ Installation of zenon
- the driver installation
- ► The installation of all components
 - -> Pay attention to error messages during the start of the Runtime.

VARIABLES ARE DISPLAYED WITH A BLUE DOT

The communication in the network is faulty:

- With a network project:
 Is the network project also running on the server?
- ► With a stand-alone project or a network project which is also running on the server:

 Deactivate the property Read from Standby Server only in node Driver connection/Addressing.

VALUES ARE DISPLAYED INCORRECTLY

Check the information for the calculation in node Value calculation of the variable properties.

DRIVER FAILS OCCASIONALLY

Analysis with the **Diagnosis Viewer** (on page 37):

-> Which messages are displayed?

9.3 LOG entries

For the ADP driver detailed LOG entries are created.



GENERAL

Entry	Level	Description
Advise. pv: <id>(<name>) advcnt:<count> Unadvise. pv:<id>(<name>) advcnt:<count></count></name></id></count></name></id>	DEEPDEBUG DRV DEEPDEBUG DRV	Advise of a variable <pre></pre>
Poke. pv: <id>(<name>) value:<value> cmd:<cmd> status:<status> originator:<origin></origin></status></cmd></value></name></id>	DEEPDEBUG DRV	unadvised A poke. ▶ <id>: ID of the variable ▶ <name>: Variable name ▶ <cmd>: Command ID ▶ <value>: Value ▶ <status>: Status ▶ <origin>: triggering computer</origin></status></value></cmd></name></id>
<pre>channel:<id>(<name>) cmd:<cmd> timeout:<time> id:<cmdid></cmdid></time></cmd></name></id></pre>	DEEPDEBUG DRV	Sending or receiving a Netselect command. lambda: ID of the variable lambda: Variable name lambda: Netselect command (start, stop, refresh)



Request value	DEEPDEBUG DRV	or answer from the driver (ok or err) ► <time>: Timeout for netsel ► <cmdid>: Identification for request (at refresh) Direct value request.</cmdid></time>
Send requested value	DEEPDEBUG DRV	Sending an answer to Request value.
Transfer data point value. pv: <id>(<name>) value:<value> status:<status> time:<time></time></status></value></name></id>	DEEPDEBUG DRV	Value of the alternative data point in the Runtime.

LOADING OR RELOADING THE RUNTIME

Entry	Level	Description
ADPObject: (<id> <<name>>) Usage of deleted source with selector number <<selnumber>>.</selnumber></name></id>	WARNINGS DRV	At an ADP variable a source variable is linked which was deleted. Variable ID of the ADP variable (database ID). Name> name of the ADP variable SelNumber> Selector number of the source variable
ADPObject:(<id> <<name>>) Usage of not existing source with selector number <<selnumber>>.</selnumber></name></id>	WARNINGS DRV	At an ADP variable a source variable is linked which was deleted. • <id> Variable ID of the ADP variable. • <name> name of the ADP variable • <selnumber></selnumber></name></id>



		Selector number of the source variable
ADPObject: (<id> <<name>>) Usage of deleted selector.</name></id>	WARNINGS DRV	At an ADP variable a selector variable is linked which was deleted. • <id> Variable ID of the ADP variable. • <name> name of the ADP variable</name></id>
ADPObject: (<id> <<name>>) Usage of not existing selector.</name></id>	WARNINGS DRV	At an ADP variable no selector variable is linked.

ERROR ON ADVICE OR UNADVICE OF THE VARIABLE.

Entry	Level	Description
Activate value change notification for ADP	Errors	Internal error.
driver failed!	Driver	The ADP driver does not receive a value change.
ADP advises <amount></amount>	DeepDebug	Advise from the ADP driver to the connection.
<pre>datapoint(s). Vars:<list></list></pre>	Driver	<amount> Number of signed connections</amount>
		<pre>List> List contains the first 3 variables which were advised: "name:<variablename>(<variable id="">)"</variable></variablename></pre>
ADP unadvises datapoint: name: <variablenname>(<variablename>)</variablename></variablenname>	DeepDebug Driver	Unadvise of a variable by the ADP driver .
Advise datapoints for ADP failed!	Error Driver	The ADP driver could not be advised due to an internal error.
Advise datapoints for ADP	Error	Internal error:
threading violation!	Driver	Advise was called from a wrong thread
Unadvise datapoints for ADP failed!	Error	The ADP driver could not be unadvised due to an
ADP lailed!	Driver	internal error.
Unadvise datapoints for	Error	Internal error:
ADP threading violation!	Driver	Unadvise was called from a wrong thread
EntryProcessing for ADP threading violation!	Error Driver	Internal error: Value change was called from a wrong thread



<pre>channel:<pvid>(<name>) cmd:START timeout:10000 id:0; not forwarded to driver</name></pvid></pre>	DeepDebug Driver	For this variable a netselect already exists in the ADP driver. Therefore the netselect receives a negative response. <pvid> ID of the ADP variable.</pvid>
		<name> name of the ADP variable</name>